An Epistle to All Christians, Jews, and Gentiles,

Shewing how that GOD *Dwells not in their* TEMPLES *made with HANDS.*

THus saith the Lord, *Heaven is my Throne, and Earth is my Footstool; Where is the House that you will Build unto me, where is the Place of my Rest?* This the Lord said unto the *Jews* that built the Temple. *Isaiah*, 66. 1.

And *Solomon* saith, *The Heaven of Heavens cannot contain God, how much less the House that he Built?* 1 Kings, 8. 27. And the same in the 2 *Chronicles* 6. 18.

And again, *Steven* saith to the *Jews* High-Priest, when he was examining him, *Though* Solomon *Built an House for the Lord, howbeit the Most High dwells not in Temples made with Hands; for Heaven is Gods Throne, and Earth is his Footstool; what House will ye Build Me, saith the Lord, or where is the Place of my Rest? Hath not my Hands made all these Things? Ye Stiff-necked and Uncircumcised in Hearts and Ears, ye do always resist the Holy-Ghost, as your Fore-Fathers did, so do ye.*

Now here all may see, that it was the Stiff-necked and Uncircumcised Hearts and Ears, that were the Persecutors, as in the next Verse, that did resist the Holy-Ghost; and therefore their Bodies, in that State, were not like to be Temples of the Holy-Ghost: as in 1 *Cor.* 6.19. And therefore these Persecutors that did resist the Holy-Ghost, which comes from the Father and the Son, were the Cryers up of the *Outward Temple*: they were not like to see God, as *Steven did*, who dwells not in *Temples made with Hands*; and Heaven to be his Throne, & Earth his Footstool, who resisteth his *Holy Spirit* that proceeds from him, by which God is *Seen* and *Known*.

And the Apostle *Paul* saith, *God that made the World, and all Things therein, seeing that he is Lord of Heaven and Earth, dwelleth not in Temples made with Hands, neither is Worshipped with Mens hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all, Life, and Breath, and all things, and hath made of one Blood all Nations of Men, for to dwell on the Face of the Earth, &c. That they should seek the Lord, if happily they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us; for in him we live, and move, and have our Being, &c.* Acts 17.

So you may see here are many Witnesses before mentioned, that God that made the World, and all things therein, who is Lord of *Heaven* & *Earth*, dwelleth not in *Temples* made with Hands, but as the *Prophets*, *Christ*, and the *Apostles* say, *Heaven is Gods Throne, and Earth is his Foot-stool.* Mat. 5. 34, 35.

So all come to know God, who hath made of one Blood all Nations of Men for to dwell on the *Face of the Earth*; he gives to you all, Life, and Breath, and all things; I say, all to know him by his Spirit which he poureth upon all Flesh, *Heaven* to be his *Throne*, and *Earth* to be his *Foot-stool*; yea, all that dwell upon the *Face of the Earth*, know the *Earth* that you dwell upon, and walk upon, to be Gods *Foot-stool*, and *Heaven* to be his *Throne*, who is Lord of *Heaven* and *Earth*, who gives you Breath and Life, and poureth his Spirit upon you, or in you, *Joel* 2. and *Acts* 2. That with his Spirit you may know the Day is come that *Joel* spoke of; & that with his Spirit you may all know, that God hath poured his Spirit upon you, or in you, that with it you live in God, and move in God, and have your Being in God, who is Lord of *Heaven* and *Earth*, and *Heaven* is his *Throne*, and *Earth* is his *Footstool*, upon which *Face of the Earth* you dwell, and walk; and so all to see and know that ye are the *Temples* of the Living God, as God hath said, *I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my People*, 2 Cor. 6. 16. and Levit. 26. 12.

And thus saith the Lord who dwells not in *Temples* made with Hands, but the Saints that are lead by the Holy-Ghost, are the Temples of God and his Holy-Ghost; for the Lord saith, *The Children of* Israel & Judah *had provok't him to anger with the Works of their hands.* The Lord saith, *For this City* (to wit) Jerusalem, *and the* Temple, *hath been to me a Provocation of my anger, and of my Fury, from the day that they built it, even unto this day* (to wit) Jerusalem *and the* Temple; *that I should remove it from before my Face,* (saith the Lord) *and destroy it*, &c. *Jer.* 32.

So you may see here, that such as resisted the Holy-Ghost, were crying up *Outward Jerusalem*, and the *Outward Temple* who were the Stiff-necked Persecutors, and Uncircumcised in Hearts and Ears, as you may see in the *Prophets* Time, and in *Isaiah's* Time, and in *Christ's*, *Steven's*, and the Apostle *Paul's* Time; and such Uncircumcised in Hearts and Ears, that are Persecutors, that did, and do resist the Holy-Ghost now, are crying up *Outward Temples*, and Imprisoning, and Persecuting, and spoiling the Goods of People now, because they will not give Money to mend their *Temples* or *Churches*, of such as make no use of them, and yet they say, *The Gates of Hell shall not prevail against their Church*; and yet dayly want Repairing, either by reason of Weather, Storms, or Thunder. And though the Lord tells them by his Prophet, and *Steven*, and his *Apostles*, *That God that made the World, and all Things therein, dwells not in Temples made with Hands, but* Heaven *is his* Throne, *and* Earth *is his* Foot-stool, *and he is the Lord of* Heaven *and* Earth. And saith of his People in these words, *What? know you not that your Bodies are the Temples of the Holy-Ghost, which is in you, which you have of God.* And again, *For ye are the Temples of the Living God* (as God hath said) *I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my People, and I will be a Father to you, and ye shall be my Sons and Daughters, saith God Almighty.* Jer. 31. 33. And therefore all that receive the Holy-Ghost, know your Bodies to be the *Temples* of the Living God, and his Holy-Ghost and Heaven to be Gods Throne, and Earth his Foot-stool, and that you dwell and walk upon his Foot-stool, and that you do live and move, and have your everlasting Being in God, who dwells not in *Temples* made with Hands, but God dwells and walks in you his *Temple*, and he is your *God* and *Father*, and you are his People, and the Sons and Daughters of *God Almighty*. So that every one may truly say, *I live and move and have my Being in God, and Heaven is his Throne, and Earth is his Foot-stool, which I naturally dwell upon and walk upon; and Spiritually in God I live and move, and have my Being to his Praise and Glory*, Who is Lord of all, both in Heaven and Earth, from Everlasting to Everlasting, blessed and Praised for ever, *Amen*.

One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. *Ephes.* 4. 6. All People know God the Father so to be.

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